

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: May 17, 2011
POSITION: Support

BILL NUMBER: AB 139
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BILL SUMMARY: State Claims

This bill, an urgency measure, would appropriate funds and authorize the transfer of funds to the Executive Officer of the California Victims Compensation and Government Claims Board (Board) for the payment of claims that have been approved by the Board. This bill would also appropriate funds to pay an erroneous conviction claim.

FISCAL SUMMARY

This bill would appropriate \$246,696.50 from the General Fund as follows:

- \$83,996.50 from the General Fund to pay the cost of claims that cannot be charged to the operating budgets of state departments.
- \$162,700 from the General Fund for an erroneous conviction claim.

COMMENTS

The Department of Finance supports this Administration-sponsored bill, which would establish appropriation authority necessary for the Executive Officer of the Board to pay claims that have been approved by the Board.

Existing law requires the Board to obtain legislative approval for the payment of claims for which no legally available appropriation authority exists. This bill would also authorize the State Controller to transfer to the Board's Budget Act appropriation surcharges from items of appropriation identified in this bill. This surcharge allows the Board to recover its administrative costs associated with administering the government Claims Programs.

Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)							
	LA	(Dollars in Thousands)							
	CO	PROP							Fund
	RV	98	FC	2010-2011	FC	2011-2012	FC	2012-2013	Code
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